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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the office action mailed July 26, 2002 (paper No. 20), for the above identified U.S. patent application. This response is being submitted with a petition for a two month extension, on or before December 26, 2002, making this a timely response. Although we believe no fees are due at this time, the commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit account No. 502319 ( Our order No. A-69235/RMS/DCF/KJC- 469249-00055).

Please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks herein.